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SUBJECT: ALLEGED CUBAN MILITARY AID TO BURUNDI

REF BUJUMBURA 292 (NOTAL)

1. PROF WARREN WEINSTIN (IILED, VISITING IN CONNECTION WITH UPCOMING GOR-SPONSORED HUMAN RIGHTS COLLOQUIUM) REPORTS HE WAS TOLD BY TWO BELGIAN TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE PERSONNEL IN BUTARE THAT ARRANGEMENT BETWEEN BURUNDI GOVERNMENT AND CUBANS INCLUDES NOT ONLY OPENING CUBAN EMBASSY IN BUJUMBURA (REFTEL) BUT ALSO CUBAN MILITARY TRAINING MISSION TO BURUNDI TO BE COMPOSED OF SOME FIFTY CUBAN ARMY OFFICERS AND TRAINING PERSONNEL. SOURCES TOLD WEINSTIN THAT WESTERN MILITARY OFFICERS IN BUJUMBURA (NOTABLY FRENCH) WERE EXTREMELY EXERCISED OVER ALLEGED CUBAN MILITARY AID.

2. EINSTIN NOTES HE HEARD NOTHING OF THIS SORT FROM ANY SOURCE WHILE IN BUJUMBURA LAST WEEK AND HAS NO BASIS ON WHICH TO EVALUATE REPORT. THIS EMBASSY HAS FLOATED
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REPORT DISCREETLY WITH FRENCH HERE, WHO APPARENTLY HAD NO INDLING OF STORY THEMSELVES NOR HAVE RWANDAN MILITARY OFFICERS, WITH WHOM WE WERE IN EXTENSIVE CONTACT DURING PAST WEEKEND, MENTIONED ANYTHING OF THIS SORT THOUGH THEY WOULD PROBABLY LEARN VERY QUICKLY OF SUCH CUBAN PENETRATION AND COULD BE EXPECTED TO MENTION IT TO SU.

3. COMMENT: STRONGLY SUSPECT RUMOR MILL HAS TAKEN
REPORT ABOUT CUBAN EMBASSY OPENING AND BLOWN OUR OF
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